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## House Resolution No. 3655

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educators who admirably have helped their young charges obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Richard Whitford has attained considerable distinction as an elementary school principal in the Kearney R-I School District which provides educational opportunities to nearly thirty-four hundred students through the expertise of more than two hundred seventy-five certificated staff in seven separate facilities; and

**Whereas**, on June 30, 2005, Richard Whitford will bring his leadership endeavors to a close in well-deserved retirement after twenty-three years of service; and

Whereas, an educator for thirty-three years, Richard Whitford previously served as a teacher and principal in the Rock Port and Craig school districts; and

**Whereas**, Richard Whitford is the beloved husband of Deanna and the loving father of Brad, Brooke, and Beth; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to acknowledge momentous occasions in the lives and careers of such exemplary citizens as Richard Whitford:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional achievements garnered down through the years by Richard Whitford with the Kearney R-I School District and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Richard Whitford of Kearney, Missouri.

| Offered by  |
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| Representative Doug Ervin   |
| District No. 35   |
| I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,<br>Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do<br>certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House<br>Resolution No. 3655, adopted June 6, 2005. |